I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EV786079843US, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissione for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 223131450, In the date shown below.

Dated: May 4, 2007

(Melody 1: Green)

Docket No.: 491442003100

(PATENT)

MAY 0 4 2007 B

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Confirmation No.: 2291

Application No.: 10/817,290

Examiner: Camquy Truong

Filed: April 2, 2004

Art Unit: 2195

For: PREREQUISITE-BASED SCHEDULER

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS -

In response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2006, for which a response was due on April 4, 2007, and for which a one-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from April 4, 2007 to May 4, 2007, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.